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Child Support Awareness Month

Children are our most valuable resources, and Californians have a responsibility to promote and nurture their well-being.

Child Support Awareness Month reminds us that children need the emotional care and financial support of each parent to reach their full potential as adults. California's child support program puts children first by promoting positive relationships, providing support services, enhancing stability and ensuring parents pay child support on a regular and timely basis.

Last year, California's child support program served approximately 2.3 million children and gave parents an opportunity to be a positive influence in their children's lives. Through its collection efforts, our child support program garnered \$2.3 billion in 2004, providing an essential bridge to self-sufficiency and security for children and families.

During Child Support Awareness Month, I encourage Californians to look to the future of our Golden State – its children – and work together to create golden opportunities that ensure their success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arnold Schwarzenegger".

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